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Dear Colleagues,

Congratulations to all of our faculty listed below who continue to be productive even as we take some much-needed time for fun and relaxation this summer. I wish everyone a wonderful Fourth of July celebration.

Annette

Presentations

Lori Bannai gave three presentations at the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles, first as part of the Smithsonian Museum of American History National Youth Summit webcast on the Japanese American incarceration; next by providing docent training on the wartime Japanese American cases; and then through a public discussion of her book, *Enduring Conviction*. She has also spoken on the wartime incarceration and its present-day relevance at other venues, including the Wing Luke Museum and the U.S. Attorneys' Office for the Western District of Washington.

Steven Bender presented on a forthcoming critical justice course book at the LatCrit South-North Exchange conference in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. He also presented on a roundtable at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting in New Orleans on a forthcoming edited volume on extractive economies and corporate social responsibility.

Upcoming Events

[Berle Symposium: Benefit Corporations and the Firm Commitment Universe](#)

Monday, June 27 – Tuesday, June 28

7:30 am – 6:00 pm

Sullivan Hall

[Marketing your Practice in the Digital Age CLE](#)

Wednesday, July 13

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

Courtroom

Visit the School of Law website for more [upcoming events](#).

Bob Boruchowitz spoke on "Problems in Misdemeanor Courts" at the Supreme Court Symposium entitled *Pre-Trial Justice: Reducing the Rate of Incarceration*. The symposium was sponsored by the Minority and Justice Commission, of which Bob is a member. After his presentation a week earlier to the Michigan Supreme Court, he has 48 state Supreme Court presentations to go.

Carmen Gonzalez presented "Environmental Racism, American Exceptionalism and International Law" at the Law and Society Annual Meeting in New Orleans. She also served as chair and discussant on a panel dealing with natural resource governance and participated in an author meets reader session and book launch for *International Environmental Law and the Global South* (Cambridge University Press, 2015).

Mimi Samuel and **Laurel Oates** presented at the Global Legal Skills Conference in Verona, Italy. Their presentation was titled *Cultural Differences in Writing and Analysis: Where Do They Come From?*

Other News

On behalf of The Defender Initiative, **Bob Boruchowitz** filed an amicus brief in Division II of the Court of Appeals in *State v. Flores*, arguing that an assigned counsel's failure to meet the experience requirements established by the standards in the court rules in effect constitutes denial of counsel altogether. The Court accepted his amicus over the objection of the prosecutor. The appellant has moved to transfer the case to the Washington Supreme Court.

Brooke Coleman commented for a story in the [Tacoma News Tribune](#) on how an international boxing dispute ended up on the court docket in Pierce County.

Carmen Gonzalez conducted a week-long training for Vietnamese law professors in Hanoi, Vietnam in May 2016. Sponsored by the Asian Development Bank and the IUCN Academy of Environmental law, the training was designed to enhance the capacity of Vietnamese faculty to teach environmental law.

Madeline Kass was appointed to serve on the Washington Board of Bar Examiners by the WSBA Board of Governors in May 2016.

Catherine O'Neill and rising 2L Nazune Menka were invited to contribute to an open access course on scientific research and Native nations. The course is being developed by an interdisciplinary team at Oregon State University. O'Neill & Menka's module focuses on tribal sovereignty and is entitled "Tribes' Unique Political, Legal and Historical Circumstances: Implications for Research." It will be comprised of a video presentation (recorded by our excellent IT team in June), an annotated transcript, a slide show, and a bibliography.

Sara Rankin and the work of the Homeless Rights Advocacy Project continued to get press coverage, with a story about [vehicle residency](#) in Real Change News and two pieces in the Seattle Times – one about [encampments](#) and the other about [fear of visible poverty](#).

Anna Roberts was invited to analyze the recent Supreme Court case of *Foster v. Chatman* for Casetext. Her piece was featured in the [SCOTUSblog round-up](#). She was also invited to moderate a panel on "Ferguson, Black Lives Matter, and the Future of Criminal Justice Reform" at the annual Southeastern Association of Law Schools conference in August.

At the Global Legal Skills Conference in Verona, Italy, **Mimi Samuel** and **Laurel Oates** were each awarded a Certificate of Achievement in Global Legal Skills Education in recognition of their demonstrated commitment to excellence in global legal skills education. Laurel and Mimi will also receive the Terri LeClerc Courage Award at the upcoming Legal Writing Institute's Biennial Conference on July 12th. They are being honored for championing the role of legal communication in fostering just and effective legal systems around the world.

Andrew Siegel participated in [Pride & Peace](#), a community forum sponsored by KING 5 to discuss the attack on a gay nightclub in Orlando. He explained the U.S. Supreme Court's history with gun control legislation and the Second Amendment. He also spoke with the [Tacoma News Tribune](#) about how the McCleary decision has affected elections for seats on the Washington Supreme Court.

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